

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Divisional Application Request. Claims 1-17 have been cancelled as being directed to an invention that is the subject matter of another application. Thus, claims 18-28 are submitted for examination in the present divisional application. The specification has been amended to place it in better form for allowance. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter is introduced by this preliminary amendment.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS LLP

By: _____

David B. Hardy
Reg. No. 47,362

Dated: July 10, 2003

Customer No. 009629
MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS LLP
1111 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20004
Tel. (202) 739-3000
Fax (202) 739-3001

DBH/fdb